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Interview Summary

Application No.: 10/712,870
Examiner: Jason Salce

First Named Applicant: Addington, et al.
Art Unit: 2614

Participants:

(1) Karl Koster, Attorney of Record (2) Examiner Jason Salce

Date of Interview: October 24, 2005

Time: 1:00 p.m. (e.s.t.);

Type of Interview:

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated:

☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description:

Claims Discussed: 1

Issues Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) Scope of the limitation "host file" and "host-specific" configuration message			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Brief Description of Arguments to Presented:

Applicant confirmed that the Examiner's understanding of the limitation of a "host-specific configuration message" would encompass a configuration message directed to a specific host using a unique host address. Consequently, the "subscriber address" file disclosed in Donlan (U.S. Patent Appl. 2004/0088737) could be interpreted as disclosing information used in deriving a "host-specific" message.

Applicant indicated that one embodiment of the invention was that the host file comprises protocol information regarding how configuration messages should be formatted for a particular host, thereby resulting in "host-specific" messages. To reflect that embodiment of using a host-specific protocol, Applicant proposed to amend the claims to reflect that the host file comprises "host-specific protocol information" used by the processor to derive the host-specific configuration message that are sent to the host.

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - EXPEDITED
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 10/712,870 Confirmation No.: 2303
Applicant(s): Addington et al.
Filed: Nov. 12, 2003
Art Unit: 2614
Examiner: Salce, Jason
Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVISIONING A HOST DEVICE FOR
ENHANCED SERVICES IN A CABLE SYSTEM

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated October 4, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 28 of this paper.

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